



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 27, 1999

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RE: MUR 4434  
Outback Steakhouse of Florida, Inc.;  
Joseph J. Kadow; Robert Basham;  
and Chris Sullivan

Dear Mr. Baran:

On September 12, 1997, you were notified that the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that your clients, Outback Steakhouse of Florida, Inc., Joseph J. Kadow, Robert Basham and Chris Sullivan each violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). On November 21, 1997, your clients submitted a response to the Commission's reason to believe findings.

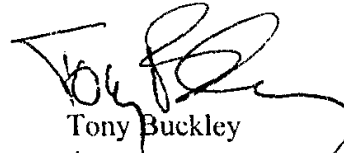
After considering the circumstances of the matter, the Commission determined on October 21, 1999, to take no further action against your clients, and closed the file as it pertains to them. The file will be made public within 30 days after this matter has been closed with respect to all other respondents involved. You are advised that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect with respect to all respondents still involved in this matter. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed.

The Commission reminds your clients that it is illegal for a corporation or its officers acting in their corporate capacities to solicit contributions for a candidate for federal office from outside of the corporation's restricted class. It is also illegal for a corporation or its officers

acting in their corporate capacities to act as conduits for contributions earmarked for a candidate for federal office. Your clients should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,



Tony Buckley  
Attorney